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RE: Application No. 10/817,609  
In re application of: Michael W. Pfeiffer, et al.  
Assignee: SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY LLC  
Dkt. No.: STL11386

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PATENT  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Michael W. Pfeiffer, Dennis R. Nielsen and Thomas P. O'Neill  
Assignee: SEAGATE TECHNOLOGY LLC  
Application No.: 10/817,609 Group No.: 3729  
Filed: April 2, 2004 Examiner: Tai V. Nguyen  
For: APPARATUS FOR PROTECTING AND MERGING A HEAD STACK ASSEMBLY

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## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

## STATUS

2. Applicant is other than a small entity.

## EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a)

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**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE				ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	16	20	= 0	x \$	50.00	=	\$	0.00	
INDEP.	3	3	= 0	x \$	200.00	=	\$	0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+	\$	0.00	=	\$	0.00
TOTAL								ADDIT. FEE	\$ 0.00

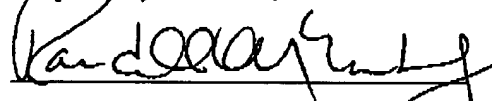
No additional fee for claims is required.

**FEE DEFICIENCY**

5. If an additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 06-0540.  
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